

U.S. Gets Guam Cable by  
New Treaty; France Has  
Accepted Undersea Curb

## Three Treaties to Make Operative Agreements of Arms Conference

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The concrete results of the armament limitation conference will be summarized in the treaties which grow out of it, including:

1. Four-power Pacific treaty. This is an agreement on the part of Britain, the United States, Japan and France to respect each other's rights as to islands in the Pacific Ocean. It binds them to consult with all the signatories of the treaty before committing any overt act with regard to these islands, and also to consult if any of the islands in the Pacific belongs to any one of them should be attacked by some outside power. It scraps the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

2. A five-power agreement, fixing total capital ship tonnage for the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy on a ratio of 5-5-3 for the first three, and 1-1 for France and Italy. It fixes the total tonnage, armament and number of airplane carriers which each of the five nations may have, and limits the size of all auxiliary craft to 10,000 tons and their armament to guns of eight inches. It may include or there may be an additional treaty with regard to submarines.

3. A six-power treaty adjusting the German cable situation in the Pacific is to be signed by the five principal Allied and associated powers and Holland.

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**Root Resolution**      **Lodge to Fight**

## Declared Doom Reservations Of Submarine In Pacific Pac

Naval Experts Assert At- tacks on Shipping Are Impracticable Under the Law as Interpreted	Senator Makes Known His Intention to Oppose Any Qualifications Unless Majority Demands Them
Peril to Assailant Deadly	Confident It Will Pass
View Agrees With Plea on Which Germans Sought	Underwood Is Expected to Swing Half of Democrats

## to Justify Frighthfulness

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. (By The Associated Press.) Agreement by the trafficking committee of the Washington conference naval committee to-day on the language of the Root resolution, already accepted in principle by the five powers, to render the laws of naval warfare applying to merchant vessels and declare the application of these laws to submarine operations, marks a direct step toward actual ban-

## into Line for Agreement

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Senator Lodge, as Republican leader of the Senate and one of the representatives of this government in the Conference on the Limitation of Armament, will oppose modification of the four-power treaty by suggestions offered by Senators unless a majority of the Republican members demand it. This does not apply to the exclusion of the main-

The drafting committee, headed by Mr. Root, is said fully to have realized this in agreeing to a text closely following the Root proposals, which is regarded as possibly significant of ultimate decision by the Japanese and French governments, to assent to a declaration of flat prohibition against submarine operations against commercial shipping.

national law as a merchant ship rights in respect to belligerent warships. The Senate has not yet been drafting committee's deliberations that it would be practically impossible or unbusinesslike to adhere to these provisions in the event of a future underwater vessels. If the submarines are to be required, as they will be under the first Root resolution, to surface and identify an approaching vessel with the object of allowing her to visit and search, it has been pointed out, might prove to

A hostile warship entered and im-  
posed on the United States the obli-  
gation that that possibility was brought up  
in the drafting committee, but the conclu-  
sion was that submarines must take  
care not to be a danger to the lives of  
vulnerability to gun fire. As Mr. Root  
pointed out before the full committee,  
the United States is not a belligerent.  
He said the Germans have exacted  
from the United States the same operat-  
ing cruiser warfare rules except with  
extreme danger to themselves they  
would not be required to observe the  
war rules. Mr. Root said the pur-  
pose of his resolution was to express  
the direct "negation" of that German  
claim.

The expectation is that the conference will end about the middle of January. The minutes will be published. (Continued on next page)

**“Messenger of Peace”:  
\$100,000 Rum Seized**

**British Schooner, Capture  
When It Strands on Bar, Be-  
lieved To Be ‘Mystery’ Ship**

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Dec. 31.

The Messenger of Peace, a British-owned schooner, which is believed to be one of the "mystery" ships which for months has been sought by revenue men along the coast in their efforts to stem the flood of rum from the West Indies, is in port here in the custody of Federal agents. More than a thousand cases of liquors of the best quality are in its hold and the cargo is appraised at \$100,000.

A mishap brought the Messenger to port here. The ship, owned by British agents, was en route to Onoreoko Bar on Friday, its second day of grounding at this same point in the lee of the island.

Ambassador Rice, presided by Mr. Shidehara, and the United States was represented by Mr. Hughes, who was assisted by Under-Secretary Fletcher and by Messrs. Harrison and MacMurray.

The decision on the Pacific German cables, it was announced, was "without prejudice." The decision to be reached later as to the decision to be reached in the Atlantic, or, in other words, to-day's decisions on the cables entering round Yap will have no effect in any way on the decision to be reached on the Atlantic cables at a future conference.

To-day's meeting was called, it was said, to take advantage of two cir-

circumstances. One was that all the nations involved were ably represented here, which would mean that the questions could be discussed around a table instead of by lengthy six-sided correspondence. In addition, Foreign Minister Van Karnebeek of Holland is leaving Washington to return to The Hague on Tuesday. The second reason was that there was nothing to say for the conference delegates to do on the conference itself, since until cables have been received from home gov-